

REMARKS/ARGUMENTS

Applicant wishes to thank the Examiner for the courtesies extended in the Interview of November 7, 2008. Applicant respectfully submits that this Amendment has been prepared fully consistent with the discussions and agreements of the Interview. As suggested by the Examiner in the Interview, Applicant has further defined the cross front face of the covering. Applicant has included reference numerals in amended claim 1 solely for the Examiner's ease of reference.

As discussed and agreed, Applicant respectfully submits that neither Nishitake nor Sinnhuber as modified by Hofmann discloses all of the features of amended claim 1. Applicant respectfully submits that Nishitake's case 11 and lid 15, if either of these structures are interpreted to be a covering by the Examiner, do not disclose all of the claimed features of amended claim 1 regarding Applicant's claimed covering. Further, Applicant respectfully submits that Sinnhuber's wall element 1"" does not disclose all of the claimed features of amended claim 1 regarding Applicant's claimed covering. Further yet, Applicant respectfully submits that even if Hofmann's "weakening" can be included in Sinnhuber, the modified Sinnhuber reference still does not include Applicant's now more-particularly claimed weakening.

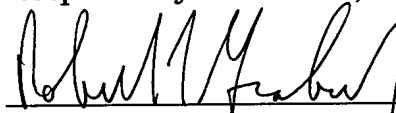
As further discussed, because the present Office Action is a "Final" Action, Applicant is filing a Request for Continued Examination concurrent with the filing of this Amendment.

Applicant respectfully submits that the application is now in condition for allowance. If there are any questions regarding this Amendment or the application in general, a telephone call to the undersigned would be appreciated since this should expedite the prosecution of the application for all concerned.

As provided for above, this paper includes a Petition for an Extension of Time sufficient to effect a timely response. Please charge any deficiency in fees or credit any overpayments to Deposit Account No. 05-1323 (Docket No. 028987.52962US).

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